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ESTATE WINERY & VINEYARDS

2019

CHARDONNAY MUSQUÉ

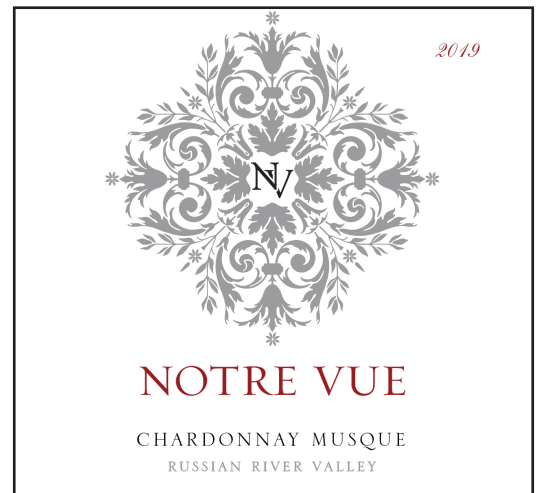
RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY

ESTATE GROWN AND PRODUCED



This Chardonnay is made from the very unique French clone 809, Chardonnay Musqué. The clone is blessed with a much higher concentration of aromatic terpenes more reminiscent of the Alsatian varieties Riesling and Muscat. This wine was gently pressed and fermented slow at 55 degrees. This wine was not allowed to go through malolactic fermentation and transferred to neutral barrels immediately after primary fermentation. Once in barrel, the wine was stirred constantly Sur-lie style for 3 months to enhance the mouthfeel without compromising the wonderful aromatics. This wine was made with the intention of capturing the unique character of this natural mutation of the Chardonnay clone and its brilliant aromatics.

- ESTATE WINEMAKER **ALEX HOLMAN**



VITICULTURIST Daniel Charles	APPELLATION Russian River Valley
VARIETAL 100% Chardonnay Musqué	
ALCOHOL 14.3%	RESIDUAL SUGAR 0.5 g/L
TITRATABLE ACIDITY 5.2 g/L	pH 3.73
CASES PRODUCED 300	

VINEYARD

The Russian River Valley appellation, with its cooling fog and ancient loamy soil is a great area for growing world class Chardonnay. With the block's southwesterly exposure, fully ripe fruit character is achieved while cooler nightly temperatures aid in preserving the acidity of the grapes.

TASTING NOTES

The wine offers aromas of fresh Bartlett pear, lemon juice and white flowers, and follows with a palate of ripe green apples, nectarine, and Asian pears.

ACCOLADES

Sonoma County Harvest Fair
Double Gold - Sept. 2020

Fred Swan: 90+ pts.

It's 100% Chardonnay Musque and clearly reflects that, so it's a good reference point for the clone. The aromas and flavors are ... a spray of white flowers, sweet stone fruit, lychee, and pear. The palate has medium+ body, moderate acidity, and very fine, silky texture that's quite attractive. - July 2020